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Docket No.: 5015.1004  
Date: February 1, 2006

In re application of: Eleftherios RODOUSAKIS et al.  
Serial No.: 10/612,108  
Filed: 07/02/2003  
For: CONNECTION ARRANGEMENT TO CONNECT TWO FLEXIBLE  
TANKS OF AN AIRCRAFT  
Sir:

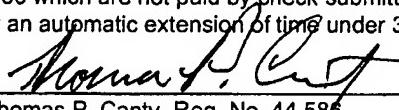
Transmitted herewith is a Response to Final Office Action (10 pages) in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
- Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
- No fee for additional claims is required.
- A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

(Col. 1)			(Col. 2)		SMALL ENTITY I RATE FEE	OR	LARGE ENTITY I RATE FEE
FOR:	REMAINING AFTER	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA				
TOTAL CLAIMS	* Minus 27	=	0	I x \$ 25	\$	I x \$ 50	\$
INDEP. CLAIMS	* Minus 3	=	0	I x \$100	\$	I x \$200	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				I + \$180	\$	I + \$360	\$
				TOTAL: \$	OR	TOTAL: \$	

- \* If the entry in Co. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
- \*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- \*\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- Also transmitted herewith are:
  - Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
  - Other:
- Check(s) in the amount of \$ is/are attached to cover:
  - Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
  - Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
  - Other:
- The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
  - Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
  - Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

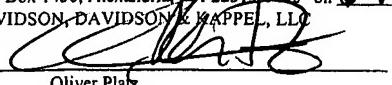
  
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Appl. No. 10/612,108  
Amdt. dated February 1, 2006  
Reply to Office Action of December 1, 2005



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: Eleftherios RODOUSAKIS, et al.  
Filed: July 2, 2003  
Art Unit: 3679  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the office action dated December 1, 2005, please reconsider the above-identified patent application based on the following amendments and remarks: